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Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed bill extending Agricultural Trade Development Act.
House passed resolution temporarily freezing support prices and acreage allotments.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 4295-4306

Bills Introduced: 11 bills were introduced, as follows:
S. 3524-S. 3534.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H. R. 8268, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to unrelated business income of certain tax-exempt organizations (S. Rept. 1402);

S. 2715, to disestablish the Balls Bluff National Cemetery, Loudoun County, Va. (S. Rept. 1403);

S. 3087, to provide for the establishment of Fort Clatsop National Memorial in the State of Oregon (S. Rept. 1404);

S. 2318, to provide for conveyance of certain U. S. land to Salem, Oreg., with amendments (S. Rept. 1405); and

S. 666, to provide that wheat for seeding purposes which has been treated with poisonous substances shall not be classified as unfit for human consumption, with amendment (S. Rept. 1406).

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Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee.

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Committee Assignment: Senator Hoblitzell was appointed to membership on Joint Economic Committee.

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Air Carriers: Senate adopted conference report on S. 22, relating to the reinvestment by air carriers of proceeds from sale of certain operating property.

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Agricultural Trade Development: By voice vote (acating order for yeas and nays), Senate passed amendments, S. 3420, extending the Agricultural Development and Assistance Act for 2 years, giving \$1.5 billion in each of the next 2 fiscal years and \$1 million for fiscal 1958, after taking the following amendments:

Modified Humphrey amendment to eliminate section 5, permitting duty-free entry of nonstrategic materials acquired by CCC through barter, and amend-

ing section 5 (respecting barter transactions) by directing Secretary of Agriculture to barter CCC commodities for certain strategic and other materials; by 44 yeas to 39 nays, Aiken amendment, to strike from the bill section 5, respecting barter transactions, and section 6, permitting duty-free entry of nonstrategic materials acquired by CCC through barter (motion to reconsider tabled); Martin (Iowa) amendment, barring acquisition by barter of strategic or critical material except for stockpiling, foreign economic or military aid, or offshore construction programs; Johnston (South Carolina) amendment, respecting Upland long staple cotton; and

Rejected: By 25 yeas to 58 nays, Case (South Dakota) amendment providing that all foreign currencies received in payment for commodities sold shall be placed in a Foreign Currencies Fund in the Treasury Department, and that Treasury shall pay to CCC the dollar equivalent of any such payment; by 24 yeas to 53 nays, modified Jenner amendment, barring from trade under the bill any nation that has indicated it will support any Communist government in hostilities against the U. S.; and by 38 yeas to 42 nays, Williams amendment to limit extension of act to 1 year instead of 2.

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Export-Import Bank: By unanimous consent, Senate adopted Jenner motion to reconsider action of March 3, 1958, in passing S. 3149, to increase the lending authority of Export-Import Bank of Washington. On the bill's reconsideration, and by division vote, S. 3149 was again passed.

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Meat Industry—Antitrust: Senate made its unfinished business S. 1356, to amend the antitrust laws by vesting in FTC jurisdiction to prevent monopolistic practices in commerce in the meat industry.

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Nominations: Four Army nominations were received.

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Program for Friday: Senate recessed at 6:18 p. m. until 11 a. m. Friday, March 21, when it will continue on S. 1356, to prevent monopolistic practices in commerce in meat industry, possibly to be followed by H. R. 11085, Treasury-Post Office appropriations, S. 72, increase cer-

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tain civil-service annuities, and S. 984, claims of uranium producers. There is a possibility Senate will consider question of agreeing to House amendments to S. J. Res. 162, to stay price supports and acreage allotments.

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Committee Meetings*(Committees not listed did not meet)***ONION FUTURES**

Committee on Agriculture and Forestry: Committee began hearings on S. 778 and S. 1514, to prohibit trading in onion futures in commodity exchanges, with testimony from Senators Neuberger, Dworshak, Church, and Potter, the latter of whom submitted a written statement; and numerous onion growers from throughout the country.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—AGRICULTURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee continued its hearings on fiscal 1959 budget estimates for the Department of Agriculture, with testimony in behalf of funds for their respective departments from the following witnesses, who were accompanied by their associates: Gwynn Garnett, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service; Rodger R. Kauffman, Administrator, Commodity Exchange Authority; Marvin L. McLain, Assistant Secretary, and F. N. McCartney, Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation; Joseph G. Knapp, Administrator, Farmer Cooperative Service; R. Lyle Webster, Director, Office of Information; and Foster E. Mohrhardt, Director, Library.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

AREA REDEVELOPMENT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization met in executive session for the consideration of proposed area redevelopment legislation, but took no final actions and recessed subject to call of the Chair.

WORLD BANK

Committee on Banking and Currency: Subcommittee on International Finance continued its hearings on S. Res. 264, favoring the establishment of an International Development Association in cooperation with the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, with testimony from C. Douglas Dillon, Deputy Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs; Don Paarlberg, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; Bartlett Harvey, Bureau of the Budget; and John Murphy, International Cooperation Administration.

Hearings recessed subject to call.

TAXATION

Committee on Finance: Committee met in executive session for the consideration of H. R. 8381, to amend the

Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to correct unintended benefits and hardships, but did not conclude its work thereon, and will meet again tomorrow.

Committee ordered favorably reported H. R. 8268, to amend the Internal Revenue Code relative to unrelated business income of certain tax-exempt organizations.

MUTUAL SECURITY PROGRAM

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee continued, in executive session, its hearings on the proposed mutual security program for fiscal 1959, with testimony from Mansfield D. Sprague, Assistant Secretary, and Charles H. Shuff, Office of International Security Affairs, both of the Defense Department, who testified and answered questions regarding military assistance aspects of the bill.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

DISARMAMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Disarmament, in executive session, heard Dr. Herbert Scoville, Jr., Central Intelligence Agency, and D. L. Northrop, Assistant for Atomic Energy, U. S. Air Force.

SALINE WATER CONVERSION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation held hearings on S. J. Res. 135, relating to conversion of saline waters to potable uses, with testimony from Senators Kuchel and Case (South Dakota); Fred G. Aandahl, Assistant Secretary, and David S. Jenkins, Office of Saline Water, both of the Interior Department; Harold W. Kennedy, county attorney, Los Angeles; Fritz Lawnetz and Donald Boreham, both of the Public Works Committee, Virgin Islands Senate; W. L. Badger, a consulting engineer, Ann Arbor, Mich.; E. R. Gilliland, MIT; Dr. Walter Juda, Ionics, Inc., Cambridge, Mass.; W. A. Gardner, Griscom-Russell Co.; and F. R. O'Leary and W. R. Williamson, both of the Maxim-Silencer Co., Hartford, Conn.

Statements were submitted for inclusion in the record for Representatives Roosevelt, Engle, and Teague of California; and W. M. Hertel and F. M. Lindsay, National Aluminate Corp.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

MIGRATORY BIRDS

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Committee held executive hearings on S. 2617, relative to funds available for acquisition of suitable areas for migratory bird sanctuaries, and H. R. 6959, relating to augmentation of natural food supplies for migratory waterfowl. Testimony was received from Ross L. Leffler, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife.

MUSIC PUBLISHING

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Communications continued its hearings